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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 18, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend page 1, lines 3 and 4 to recite as follows.

-- This application is a continuation-in-part application of co-pending United States Application Serial No. 09/396,141, filed August 15, 1999. --